Dear CFA® Candidate,

We have committed to ensuring that this is the best CFA® preparation course in the market. However, your success is also a direct function of your personal commitment and the level of time and effort you devote to your studies. Once classes begin, history has shown that a time commitment of between 15 and 20 hours per week, each and every week, is required until the CFA® Examination. There are no shortcuts to success.

If you have additional questions, please contact me by calling Nattaya Chaimahawong at the School of Continuing Studies at 416.978.7208 or email info.cfa@utoronto.ca. Our staff will ensure we connect sooner rather than later. Good luck with your decision!

Michael Hlinka

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Building Your Success
A significant part of our participants’ success is a result of the unique methodology of the Passing the CFA® course. Each course in the CFA® program is built on four pillars:

1. An Early Start
   Most CFA® preparation courses begin in January, about five months before the CFA® Examination. Our courses start in late October, providing an extra 10 weeks for preparation and practice.

2. Instructor Accessibility
   Michael is available seven days a week via email and telephone and has regularly scheduled office hours—three hours per week every Saturday afternoon for the duration of the course.

3. Augmented Source Material
   Our notes and audio lessons are derived from the CFA® prepared materials and augmented by Michael based on his expertise and experience.

4. Constant Testing
   Each class begins with a quiz on the previous week’s material. Throughout each course there are three tests, a half-exam, and, at the end of the course, a six-hour mock exam. This allows participants to measure their ranking relative to their peers.

Passing the CFA® Preparation
Since 2005, the University of Toronto School of Continuing Studies has partnered with award-winning instructor and CBC business commentator Michael Hlinka to offer the CFA® preparation courses, designed to prepare participants for the CFA® Level I, II, and III Examinations.

In addition to preparation for the traditional June exam sittings, we have a course for the Level I December exam. Over the past ten years, we’ve helped more than 1900 professionals prepare for the CFA® exams.

Success Rates
Our participants have been extremely successful. Our pass rates regularly fall within the low to high 80% range. We are proud of our students’ performance and post the pass rates on the SCS website at learn.utoronto.ca.

“Michael Hlinka’s excellent ‘Passing the CFA®’ series of courses hits all the key factors required to succeed on the CFA® exam including an early start in October, use of the original CFA® textbooks, keeping to a disciplined study program through weekly classes and tests, and exceptional teaching.”

Jody Maillet
Senior Underwriter
The Guarantee Company of North America
Tuition for each course is $3,150 plus applicable taxes. Instructor for all courses: Michael Hlinka

**Our Passing the CFA® Exam Success Methodology**

We have a unique, customized methodology designed to meet the special needs of busy professionals.

**PRE-LESSON**

Prior to each lecture, participants will receive a 60-minute audio pre-lesson covering key concepts.

**FOCUS**

During lectures, the instructor will focus on the most difficult concepts.

**READ & SELF-TEST**

After the lecture, participants are expected to read the CFA® source material as directed, followed by weekly self-tests designed to help evaluate mastery of that session’s study materials.

**INSTRUCTOR SUPPORT**

Support is provided by the instructor either through an in-person meeting during scheduled office hours, by email, or by telephone.

**REVIEW**

Finally, each week, participants are expected to take time to review the key concepts from previous study sessions.

**Passing the CFA® Level I December Exam—Accelerated Examination:**

**December 2019 sitting**

**September 12 – November 23, 2019**

Thursdays: 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Number of sessions: 22

**Passing the CFA® Level II Examination:**

**June 2020 sitting**

**October 30 – December 18, 2019**
& **January 8 – April 8, 2020**

Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.

Number of sessions: 22 classes five (5) test and exam sittings

**Passing the CFA® Level III Examination:**

**June 2020 sitting**

**October 26 – December 14, 2019**
& **January 11 – April 14, 2020**

Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Number of sessions: 22 classes five (5) test and exam sittings

**There are online options for these four courses as well. Students will have access to:**

- Audio lessons
- Comprehensive notes
- Instructional video modules
- Weekly quizzes, three tests, and a comprehensive mock exam
- Unlimited access to the instructor via email

For more information about the online options, please call Nattaya Chaimahawong at 416.978.7208 and she will connect you with the instructor Michael Hlinka.

**Our Guarantee**

We are committed to your success. If, upon completion of your in-class course, you write the CFA® exam and do not pass, you may attend SCS’s next in-class Passing the CFA® exam course at no tuition charge, paying only the $500 materials and administrative fee. *Some conditions apply - ask your instructor for details.

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**Office Hours**

Instructor office hours occur regularly on:

November 23, 2019 – April 4, 2020
Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

April 25 – May 23, 2020
Saturdays: 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Tests & Mock Exams**

The schedule for the tests and mock exams, an integral component of the program, will be distributed at the first class. All tests and mock exams will be written on Saturdays.

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